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'God Gave Us Two Arms — One for the Flu Shot, One for the COVID Shot,' White House COVID Response Coordinator Says

During a White House briefing on the new COVID-19 bivalent booster shots, Dr. Ashish Jha, Biden's COVID-19 response coordinator, urged Americans to get a flu shot and a COVID-19 shot at the same time, claiming that's why "God gave us two arms."

By **Suzanne Burdick, Ph.D.**

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COVID-19 RESPONSE PRESS BRIEFING
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SLIDES
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The White House COVID-19 Response Team on Tuesday held a briefing to mark what health officials called a "major milestone," referring to the rapid authorization of new COVID-19 bivalent booster shots for Americans ages 12 and older.

Commenting on the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) Aug. 31 amended Emergency Use Authorizations for new the Pfizer and Moderna mRNA vaccines, Dr. Ashish Jha, Biden's COVID-19 response coordinator, said:

> "We expect millions will choose to get their [updated bivalent] COVID-19 shot at the same time or over the course of the fall when people go in for routine checkups.
>
> "The good news is you can get both your flu shot and COVID shot at the same time. It's actually a good idea.
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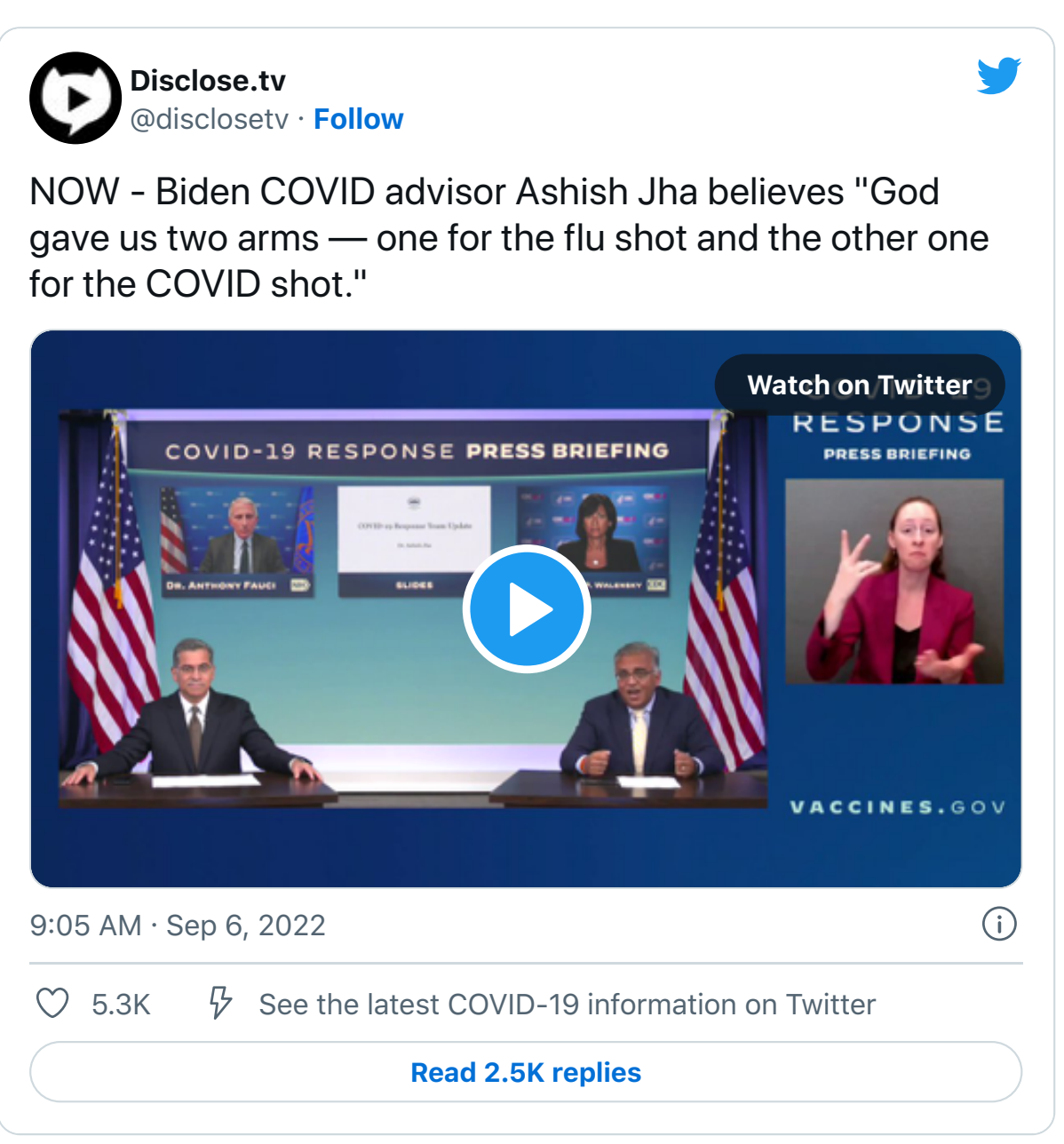
> "I really believe this is why God gave us two arms. One for the flu shot and the other one for the COVID shot."

Jha's comments trended on Twitter.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The new vaccines, which the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommended on Sept. 1, contain sequences from both the original SARS-CoV-2 virus and the most recently circulating Omicron variant.

Dr. Anthony Fauci, who also appeared during the briefing, said, "My message to you is simple. Get your updated COVID-19 shot. As soon as you are eligible in order to protect yourself, your family and your community against COVID-19 this fall."

Fauci said the new bivalent vaccines are safe and effective.

"Through robust safety monitoring systems, we now have an extensive body of safety data as good or better than what we have for any prior vaccine," Fauci said.

However, Dr. Meryl Nass, an internist and biological warfare epidemiologist, earlier this week questioned the new vaccines' safety.

"The [vaccine] manufacturers did not have to go through months-long trials, and the FDA did not have to pore over any human trial data, because there weren't any," Nass wrote.

She continued:

> "Let that sink in: The new BA.4/5 bivalent vaccines were tested only in mice, not humans. …
>
> "So there is no reason to think the boosters will be any safer than the second dose, in terms of myocarditis. That risk, by the way, was about 1 in 2,000 young men aged 18-24 after their second dose in one Kaiser study.
>
> "Getting vaccinated soon after recovering from COVID-19 is foolhardy, and any officials mandating the shots after recovery are putting people at even greater risk of adverse reactions, including myocarditis."

Fauci pointed to data from mRNA vaccine efficacy trials in 2020, claiming they showed a "remarkable 94-95% efficacy against symptomatic disease" — claims that have since been challenged.

Data from Moderna and Pfizer, Fauci said, indicated the updated bivalent vaccines "induced higher antibody titers against Omicron than did the original vaccines" as well as against "all CoV-2 variants."

Although Fauci did not provide specific figures, he also said Pfizer and Moderna's data showed the bivalent vaccines induced "even higher levels of neutralizing antibodies in individuals who had recovered from COVID-19."

Based on these data, Fauci said, "We fully expect that the updated bivalent vaccines containing BA.4 and BA.5 sequences will offer better protection against currently circulating strains than the original vaccines."

Fauci admitted, however, that "it is difficult to predict at this point how much better that protection will be."

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Biden, pediatricians push flu vaccines for kids and adults

On the same day as the briefing on the new boosters, Biden issued a press statement urging Americans to get vaccinated against both the flu and COVID-19.

"Just like your annual flu shot, you should get it [the new bivalent vaccine] sometime between Labor Day and Halloween. It's safe, it's easy to get, and it's free," he said.

Biden added:

> "It's simple, and it's easy to understand: If you are vaccinated and 12 and older, get the new COVID-19 shot this fall. This once-a-year shot can reduce your risk of getting COVID-19, reduce your chance of spreading it to others, and dramatically reduce your risk of severe COVID-19."

The statement did not cite evidence supporting Biden's claims.

Also on Tuesday, the American Academy of Pediatrics urged parents to get flu vaccines for their children as soon as possible.

The CDC recommends the flu vaccine for children 6 months and older "with rare exceptions."

But Dr. Michelle Perro, a pediatrician with four decades of experience, questioned the CDC's recommendation.

"While the flu can be a more serious illness than COVID-19," she told The Defender, "hospitalizations are low, ranging from 7,000-26,000 in the 2019-2020 season."

Perro added:

> "Some children may die from the flu, however, this is extremely rare. Vaccine efficacy in one report was 32.5% for flu vaccines, which does not exceed the desired vaccine efficacy threshold of 50%.
>
> "What is often lacking in the conversation is how we support and optimize our children's overall health/immune function via nutrition, targeted supplements during flu season, such as vitamins C and D, as well as the use of gentle, but natural solutions such as herbal medicine and homeopathy."

The major consideration when it comes to requiring vaccines for children is the risk-benefit ratio, Perro said — whether it's the flu vaccine or the COVID-19 vaccines.

"Since the rollout of the COVID-19 vaccine in children," Perro said, "the risk from harm from the vaccine has been shown to be profoundly greater than the risk of illness from the virus."

Perro cited reports of serious side effects in children, including heart issues (myocarditis), changes in autonomic nervous system function (postural orthostatic tachycardia, or POTS), autoimmunity and neurologic disorders, such as Guillain-Barré syndrome.

"It is important to note that historically, with the introduction of previous novel vaccines such as the rotavirus vaccine, they were recalled after only eight incidents of harm," Perro said.

"Children should not receive this experimental genetic immunomodulatory vaccine, especially in light of the fact that their risk of serious illness from COVID-19 is less than .5%," she said.

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Polly Green · 7 days ago
Thank goodness I still have my middle finger.
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tag → Polly Green · 7 days ago
I keep mine well exercised!
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Deanne → tag · 2 days ago
Obscene gestures and words only reveal the degradation of those who use them. They do nothing honorable, helpful, or good in fighting evil or helping to establish what is upright.
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tag → Deanne · 21 hours ago
Does that include he elites as they thumb their nose to you?
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Deanne → Polly Green · 2 days ago
Obscene words and gestures only show how depraved the ones who use them are. They do nothing good, honorable, or helpful in fighting evil or establishing good.
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Marjorie LaChance · 7 days ago
Too bad Dr. Jha's God only gave him arms and no brain.
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Brian Hodgson → Marjorie LaChance · 7 days ago
His God is Satan
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Polly Green → Marjorie LaChance · 7 days ago
Why should we listen to someone who's occupation is analogous to the Man with the Yellow Hat in "Curious George"? This guy actually stood at the press podium and reported that the 'leader of the free world' had eaten all his lunch like a big boy. Then a week later Biden's eyelids didn't function through a televised speech. So this clown either needs to admit that the Prez was temporarily replaced by a pod person, or he was jacked up on amphetamines. Either way, he shouldn't be trusted.
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shorebird → Marjorie LaChance · 7 days ago · edited
Its become a friggin religion: absolute belief in the efficacy of (highly suspect) manmade shots vs. your enviable immune system? Who are they?
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This is insanity!! → shorebird · 7 days ago
murderous, seething, monsters aided and abetted by the "greed of no end" murderous, seething, monsters of big harma, the gates of hades and you know all the rest!! In other words the scum, detritus of the earth!
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This is insanity!! → Marjorie LaChance · 7 days ago
Perfect!!
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T.Martin · 7 days ago
This man is absolutely insane... How can anyone with a functioning brain get on tv and tell everyone that God gave us 2 arms so we can get a cvd 19 shot & flu shot at the same time. Really?? Has our country sunk so low that it puts people like this in office for our health? This is sickening!! Just when you think the nonsense cannot get any worse...there is an idiot like this to prove otherwise
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Someone · 7 days ago
God (or whatever you believe in) also gave us an immune system that is perfectly capable of fighting it and many perfectly safe compounds to help it if it needs it. Thinking that man is needed to fix something that nature did perfectly well in healthy people is the worst sort of hubris and nature tends to punish harshly for such beliefs.
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This is insanity!! → Someone · 7 days ago
What I don't get is, why does this ENTIRE COUNTRY put up with this BS? These idiots should be yanked out of their paid off chairs and thrown in jail FOREVER!!!!!
10 · Reply · Share ›

tag → This is insanity!! · 7 days ago
The entire country didn't buy the BS. I didn't and never will. I'm part of the population that will be the last man standing. I hope you are too.
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Pilgrim → This is insanity!! · 7 days ago
hear! hear!
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Beatrice → Someone · 6 days ago
I take offense to their comment about G-d. They use His name in such a callous and disrespectful manner. It's truly shameful.
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Corinne Vickey → Beatrice · 6 days ago
Which reminds me of the 'speech' NY Gov. Hochul delivered in her Buffalo Church . 'You know,' she said, "God wants all of us to be vaccinated." and , I am paraphrasing, 'this is why God gave us the scientists." AARGH. What about our God given immune systems, folks? Let's keep Australia's latest covid laws out of the US, please. Thank You. I am praying for the asteroid.
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Beatrice → Corinne Vickey · 5 days ago
Exactly Corinne. I absolutely despise and take offense to them using G-d as their tool to manipulate the masses. They obviously know nothing about G-d or respect the natural world that G-d gifted us. If they have any conscience at all, they would fear G-d's wrath awaiting them. Maybe we should send them a copy of 1977 " Oh God" with John Denver and George Burns :D
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Someone → Beatrice · 2 days ago
Like that's any different from how they normally act. There are so many beliefs in Christianity that make absolutely no sense when you really think about it and it clearly is making use of a higher power to control people. If God is so all powerful, nothing humans could do could go against his will.
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Beatrice → Someone · a day ago
Yes, it's a shame when anyone uses G-d to control others. Shame on them. Humans go against G-d's will all the time and change the outcome for us all.

From my experience, it takes a lot of study - religious, historical and philosophical and life experience to make sense of many things written in the Bible. I can understand why you believe as you do. G-d created the world for us to care for and he gave us the ability to choose how we do that. Personal responsibility is part of having good character whether you're a religious person or not. G-d gave us the perfect recipe with all the organic ingredients to bake a perfect cake. He also gave us the ability to change that recipe as we choose. Consequences and outcomes are inevitable and can be subjective but when we live a compassionate life, we tend to make better choices for the greater good. Unfortunately, I think many religious people today have too much religious ideology spewing from their mouth and little to no spirituality to back it up. I don't want to preach to you from a religious perspective but I will respectfully share that my personal religious and spiritual beliefs influence all I do and say and when I screw up, as I do many times, I feel very compelled to correct myself ASAP. I think one of the best ways to really appreciate yourself and G-d is to spend quiet time in nature and observe the magnificent and harmonious relationships around you. True perfection made just for you :D
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tag → Someone · 7 days ago
God gave us a perfect world. Evil, greedy,money grabbing god wannabe's messed it up. I'm sticking to what I know, not what some Satan spawn tells me what I should know.
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Liebe Wein → Someone · 7 days ago
Took the words out of my mouth (and more eloquently).
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Edgar Murillo → Someone · 7 days ago
Well said
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Duke Nukem · 7 days ago
What a buffoon! That's the only reason we have arms? That has to be one of the most idotic statements I have ever heard!
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tag → Duke Nukem · 7 days ago
Arms are made for embracing, not jabbing. Embrace truth over lies and let these evil things dig their own graves. Make no mistake, they are scrambling now.
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Honey Bee → Duke Nukem · 7 days ago
Agree
3 · Reply · Share ›

Mary Clare Wareham · 7 days ago
Get this man off...out.... and away!!!
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John M. Burnley · 7 days ago
God gave me a brain and that's why I take quercitin and zinc daily that gives me way more protection than any injection.
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Corinne Vickey → John M. Burnley · 6 days ago
Remember the Vit. D-3 and C if you're in the northern latitudes. Namaste
3 · Reply · Share ›

Luella Bandstra-Johnson · 7 days ago
NO WAY!! Absolutely no shots for me!!!!!!!!!
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Bry · 7 days ago
I have zero respect for doctors anymore
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mike → Bry · 7 days ago
been that way for me for a long time now. Covid just put their greed and incompetence front and center. Hippocrates is rolling over in his grave.
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John 2.0 → Bry · 6 days ago
wanna stay healthy, stay away from doctors
2 · Reply · Share ›

tag → Bry · 7 days ago
For me? That started way before Covid. I watch the "greatest healthcare in the world" kill to many of my family. Covid disaster was just the icing on the cake.
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Corinne Vickey → tag · 6 days ago
Awe. So sorry. I do understand. This is not new by any means but it is moving at top speed with covid
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maria → Corinne Vickey · 3 days ago
09/11 first troyan horse, covic is the 2nd. troyan horse to accelerate the 2030 agenda...the NWO
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Pilgrim → Bry · 7 days ago
Like many people, they have leveraged their credit and debt so they feel cornered to go along with the flow because they have no financial back up.
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Nod · 7 days ago · edited
So here is the thing, apparently scientists in Canada and the USA have REVIVED the spanish flu, and are trying to kill primates with it. They say they do it so they can create a vaccine in case nature remakes the spanish flu.

Can you beLIEve the ludicrous statements coming from the establishment. These are the psychopaths who want to jail doctors for speaking out with truth they call misinformation.

Bill Gates said not so long ago, with a smirk on his face " the next one will get their attention", when speaking about people who refuse the clot shots.

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sabateur → Nod · 6 days ago
it's what they always say, lol.
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Mark Vegar · 7 days ago
Hmm i don't like big brother violating the Doctor Patient relationship and decreeing what is scientific fact and what isn't. The science is never settled. Furthermore God gave us an innate immune system, he didn't require that it be supplemented by big pharma's artificial immune system. We've witnessed the inflicting of torture on society the last 2.5 years through lock downs and the like. Utterly despicable!
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Wanda Jean Arnold · 6 days ago
God gave us a brain to think logically, a heart to tell right from wrong and two legs to flee evil as soon as we recognize it! The arms might be used to take these devils out of circulation as soon as possible.
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Beatrice → Wanda Jean Arnold · a day ago
Spot on Wanda. Sadly, I think heart has been replaced with hedonism.
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jprexena · 7 days ago
At least I can provide the double middle fingers to these evil doers as they can go shove it. God surely didn't give Jha a brain nor a heart. Our bodies are our pharmacies via our immune system as created by God, not Pharmakeia. In other words, these evil doers pushing for more death shots want to kill us fast enough with more shots that benefits the few at the expense of many. It's those under cognitive dissonance, debased mind, willful ignorance, and mass formation psychosis who continue to abide and give their consent to these tyrants commandments and doctrines. Mass noncompliance is only part one of how to end this. Reserve the shots for the tyrants and the elite.
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Deanne → jprexena · 2 days ago
Obscene words and gestures only show the degradation of the person who uses them. They do nothing useful or honorable or helpful in fighting against evil.
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J. Johnson · 7 days ago
These so-called governing folks show themselves daily how ignorant to a point they want to be to the masses of the people with their hidden speeches. And Amen for your comment (Someone). Also, as Daniel 12:4 says..., even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased (and it's not God's knowledge) and Revelation 11:18 says what God is going to do to those who destroy the earth.
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Beatrice · 6 days ago
The Scotch-Irish would say that G-d gave them two arms- one for carrying the Bible and one for carrying a rifle.

Given how stingy our government is when it comes to giving its citizens anything good for them, their motive to give us free vaccines is questionable at best.
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Deanne → Beatrice · 2 days ago
Nothing from government is ever free. In fact, government "free" items cost way more than their value and the cost is charged to the taxpayers - and at this point, to our grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great great grandchildren. Our government is racking up debt for future generations, spending like drunken sailors. My foot, the shots are free…
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Jen · 6 days ago
But, God "Source" also gave me the free-will to refuse to take your toxic bioweapon death jabs.
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BChristine · 6 days ago
Only moron-idiots will believe these moron-idiots. Unfortunately it seems there are a lot of them these days 😖🤪
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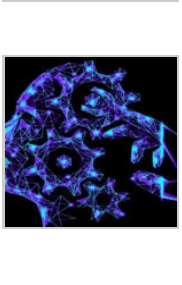
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